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A pair of 22nd Dynasty decorated coffins confront the visitor on entering the first Brighton Museum Egyptian gallery (above).

The first, possibly from Heracleopolis Magna, is of finely decorated cartonnage and contains a detail that makes it a highlight of the collection: a depiction of a three-headed deity (lion, cobra and vulture). Such triple-headed images are exceptionally rare, and this is the only known example of this particular combination, which may be of the oasis-god 'Ash.⁴ Only a fragment of the owner's name survives.